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REMARKS


After entry of this After-Final Amendment, claims 1, 3-9, and 11-15 are pending in the application. In the Final Office Action dated August 16, 2006 claims 1 and 10 were indicated as being allowable. Independent claims 1, 8, and 9 have been amended to include the subject matter of claims 2 and 10, which the Examiner has indicated as allowable. Therefore, claims 3-7, which depend from claim 1 should also be allowable and claims 11-15, which depend from claim 9, should also be allowable. Claims 11-15 have been amended to correct a clerical error. Claims 2 and 10 have been cancelled by this Amendment. Reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully submitted that this Amendment traverses and overcomes all of the Examiner's objections and rejections to the application as originally filed. It is further submitted that this Amendment has antecedent basis in the application as originally filed, including the specification, claims and drawings, and that this Amendment does not add any new subject matter to the application. Reconsideration of the application as amended is requested. It is respectfully submitted that this Amendment places the application in suitable condition for allowance; notice of which is requested.

If the Examiner feels that prosecution of the present application can be expedited by way of an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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